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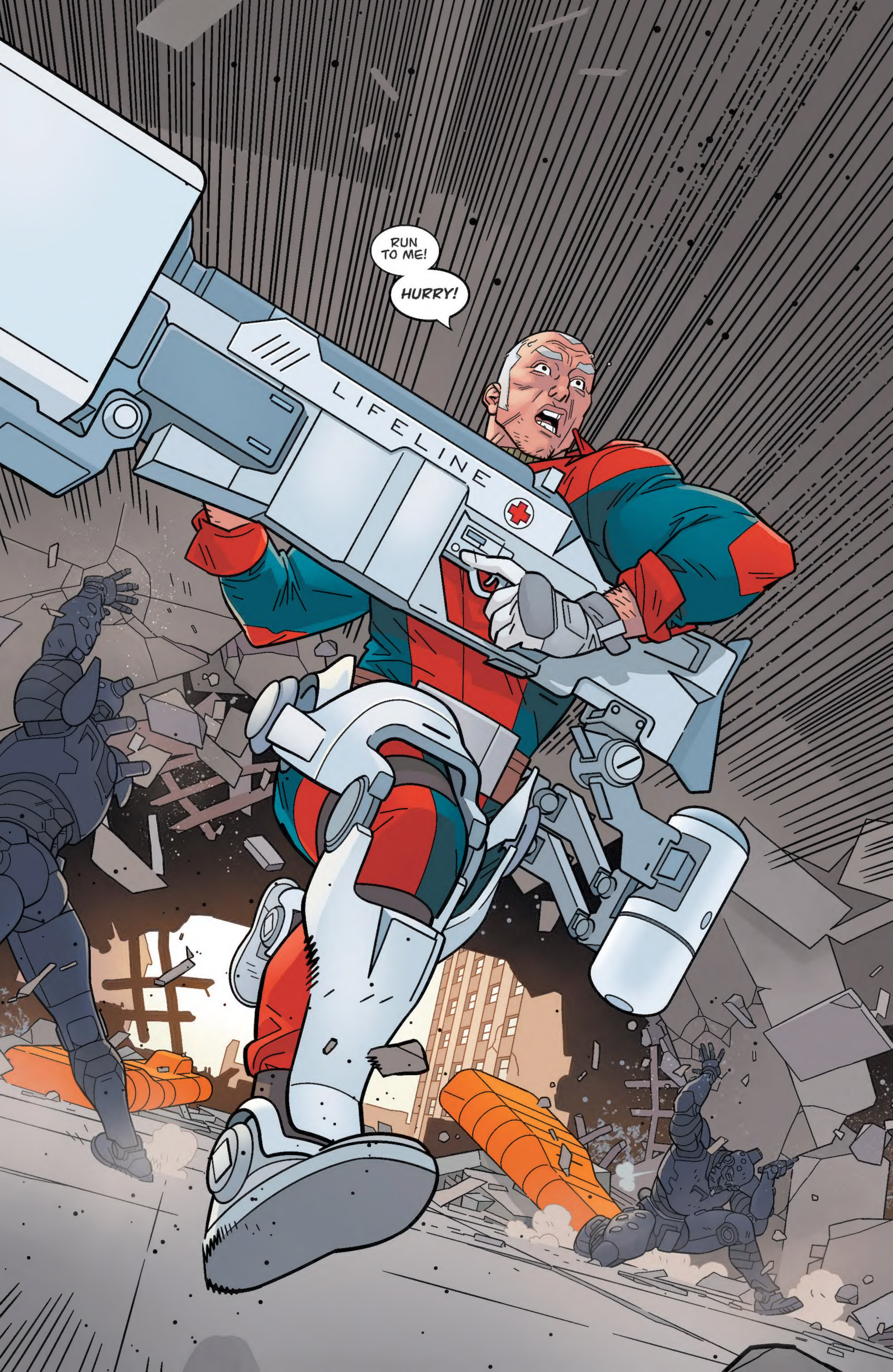
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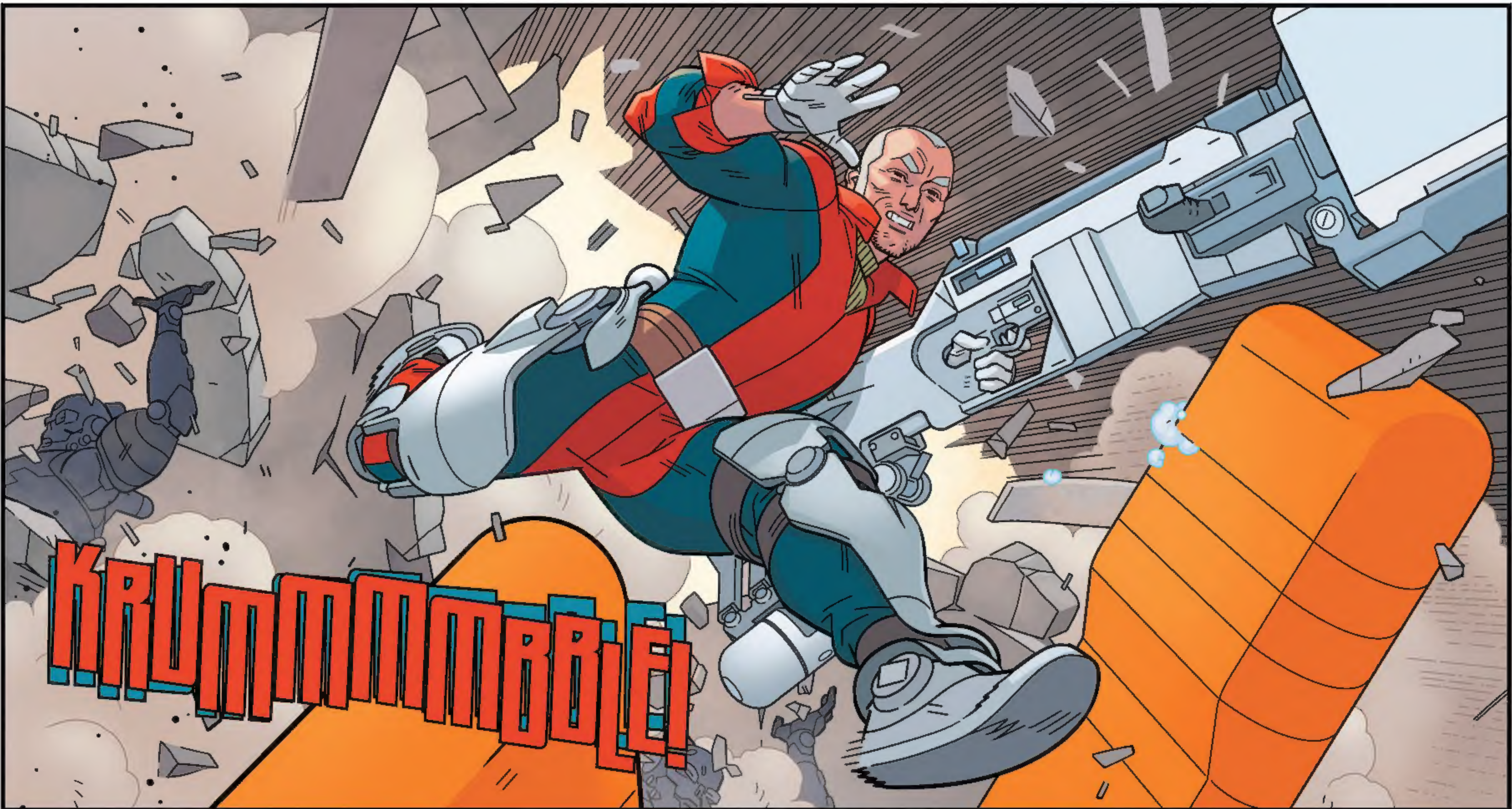
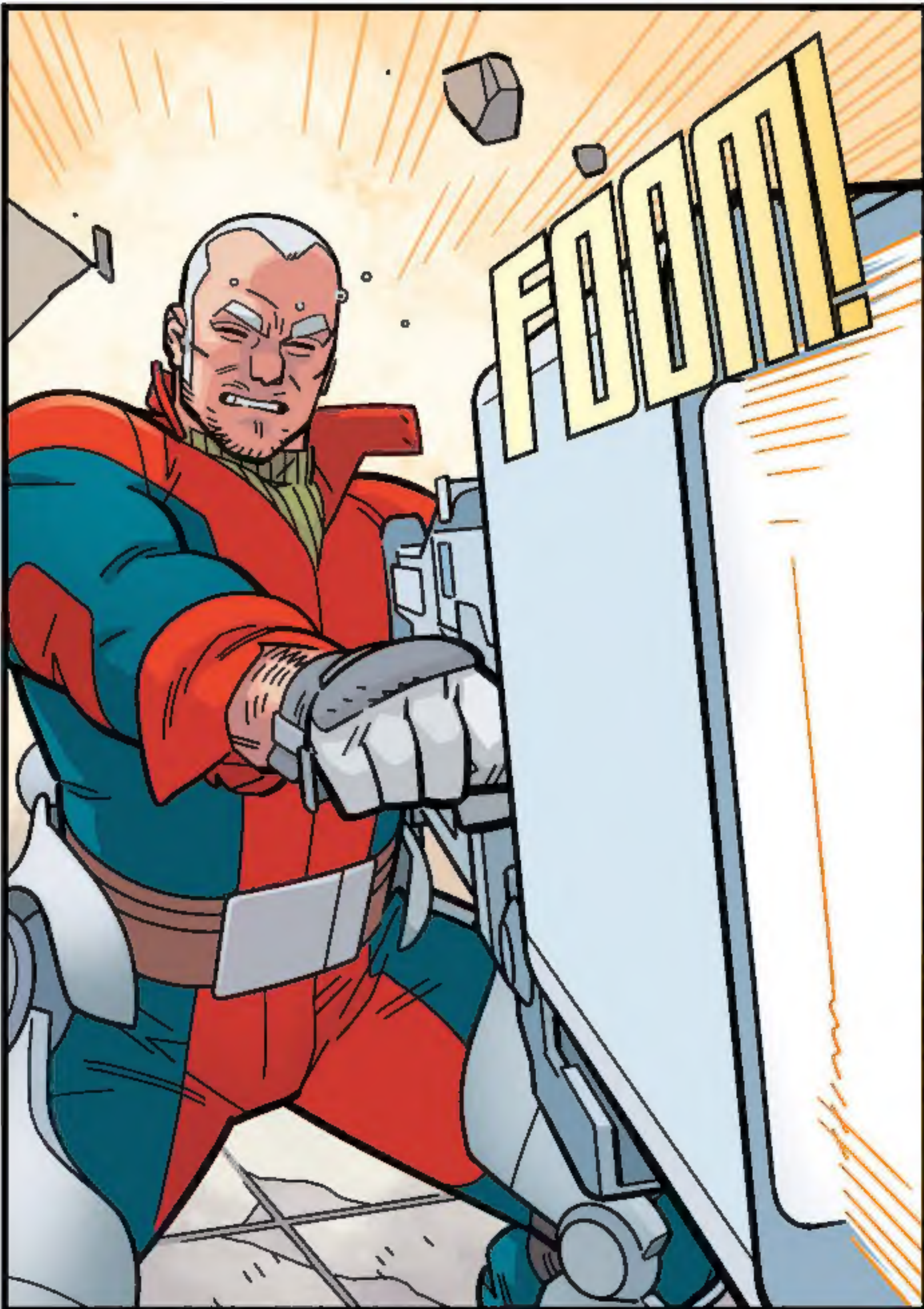
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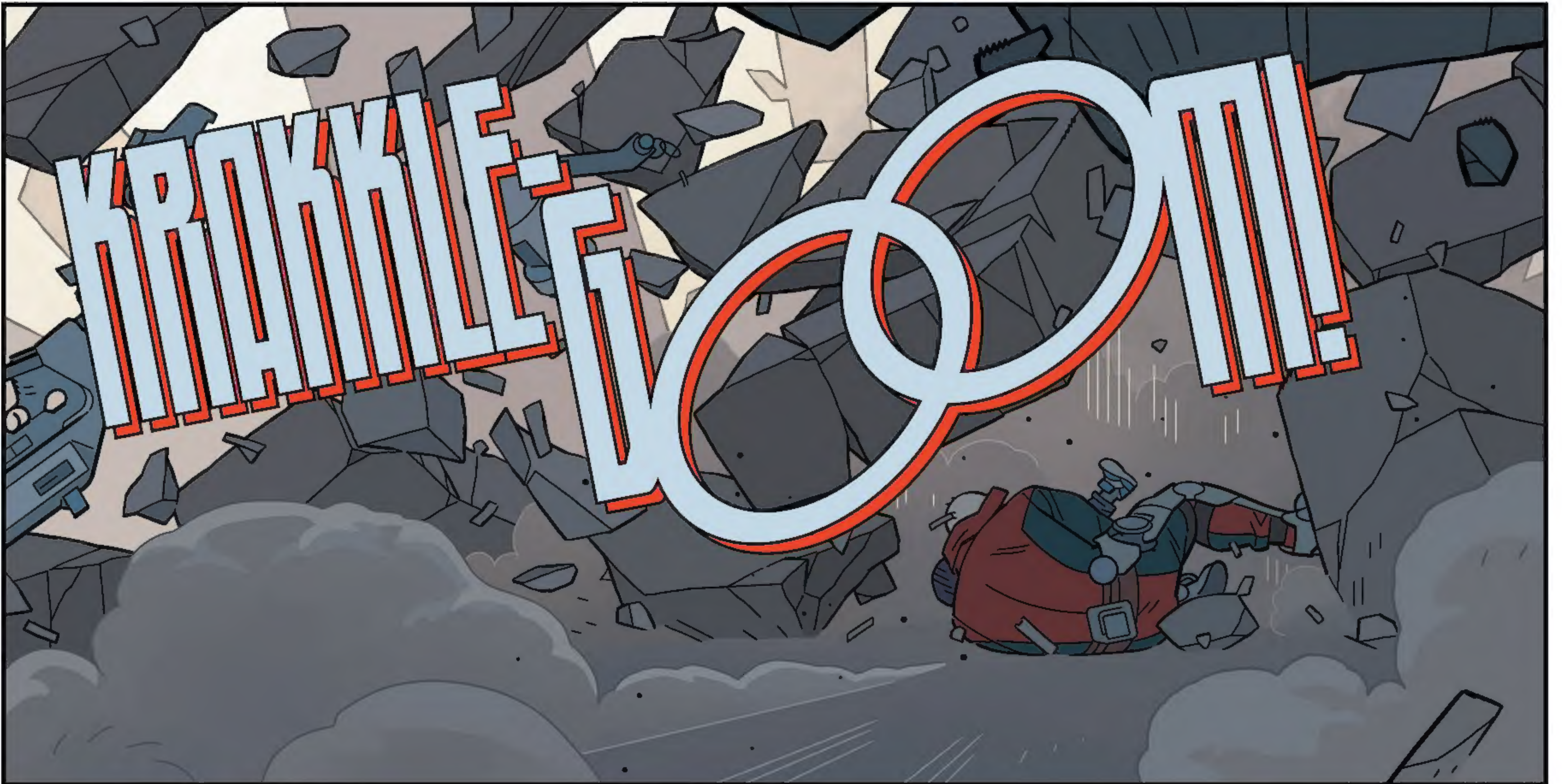
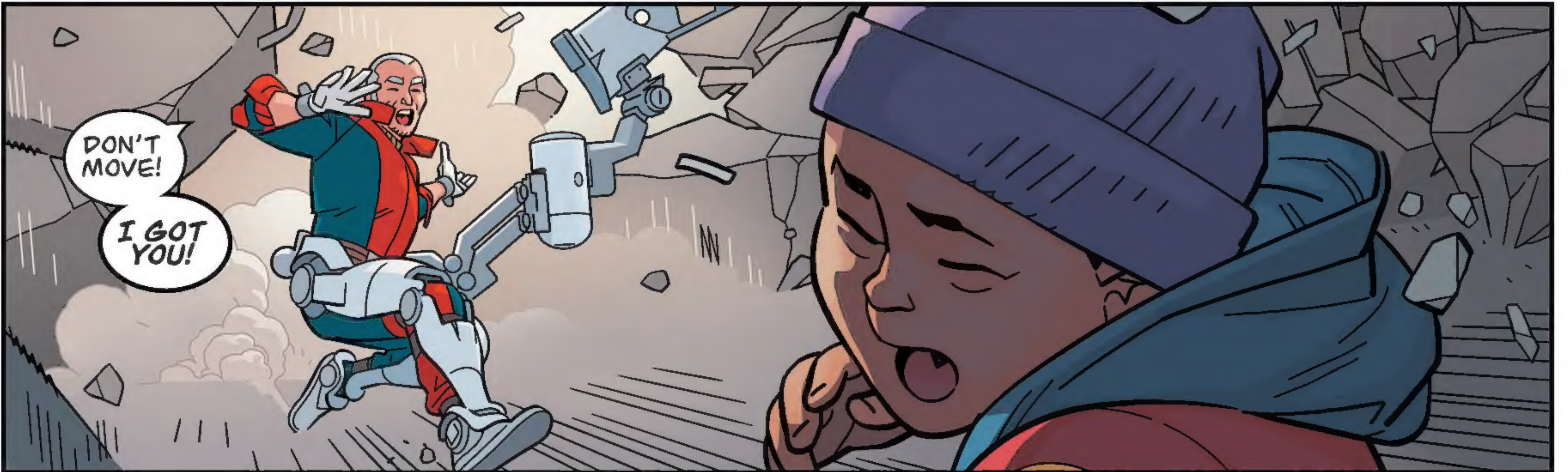
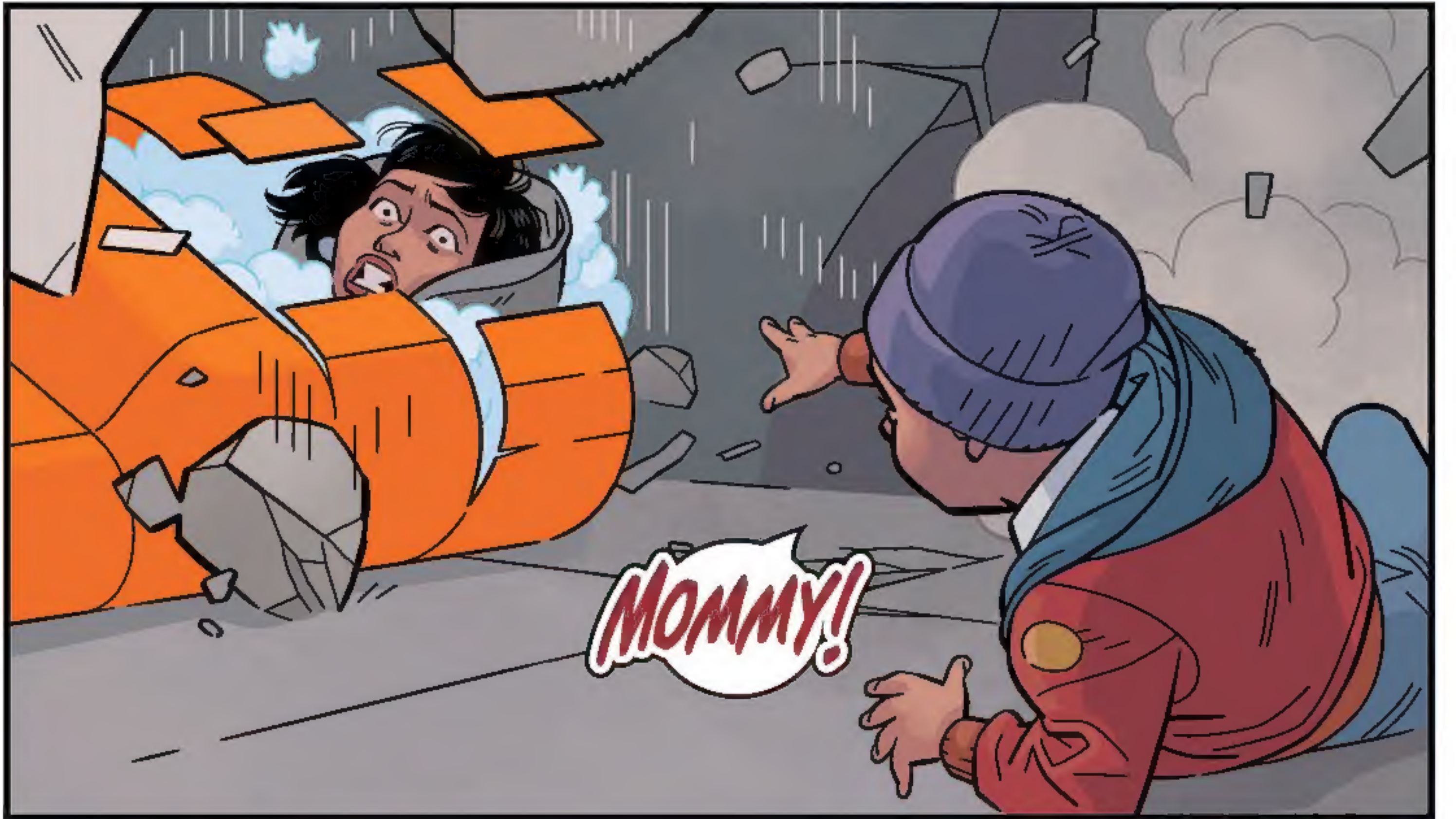
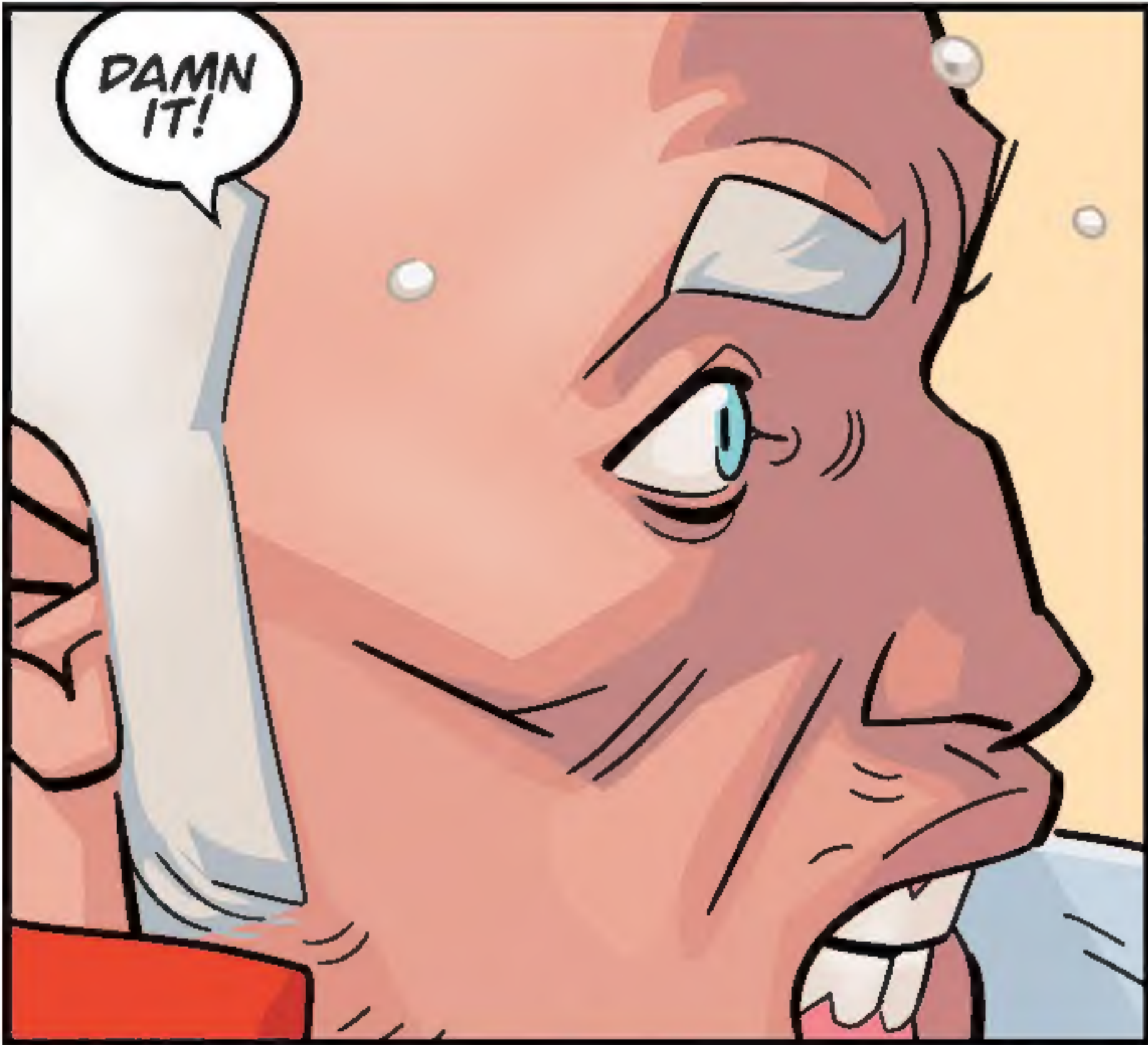
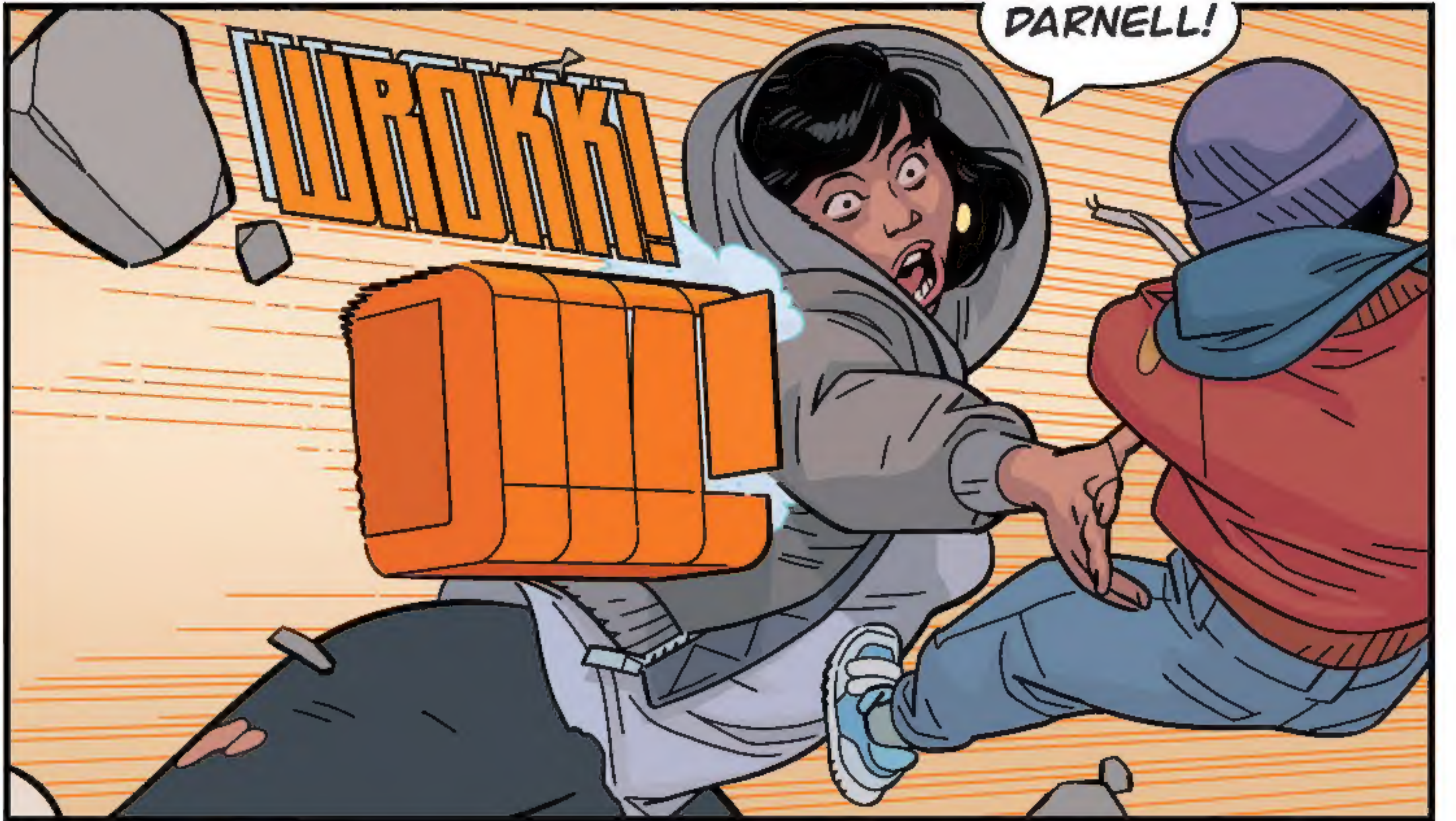


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HURRY!

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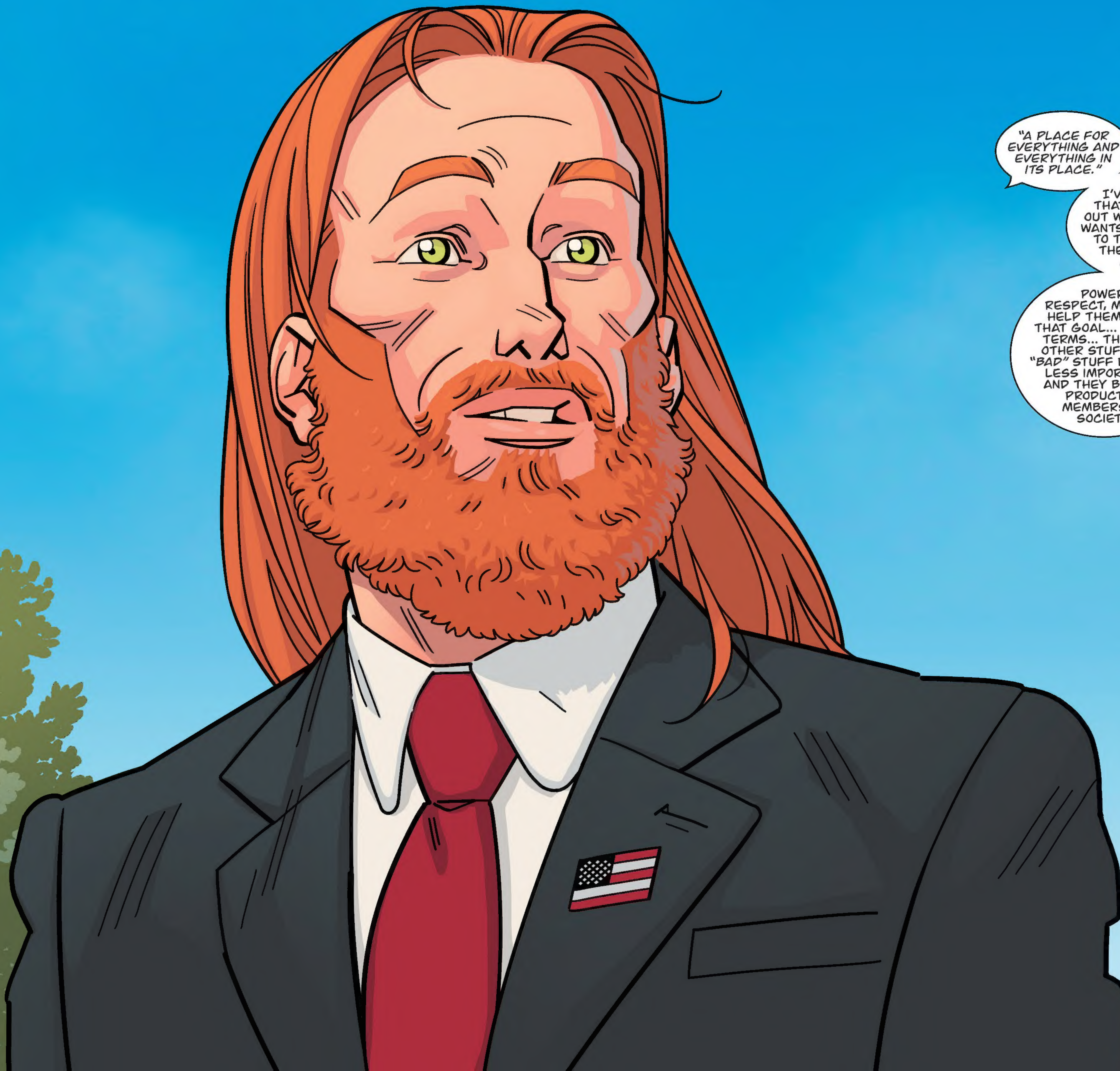


PEOPLE ARE SCARED, BUT THEY'RE **SAFE** AND THEY ARE **FED**.

STEPS ARE ALREADY BEING TAKEN TO PREVENT THESE KINDS OF THINGS FROM HAPPENING IN THE FUTURE.

AND IT'S NOT JUST THE ONES YOU KNEW AS HEROES WHO ARE HELPING IN THE EFFORTS. EVEN THE **VILLAINS** HAVE UNITED UNDER MY LEADERSHIP FOR THE GOOD OF ALL.





"A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING AND EVERYTHING IN ITS PLACE."

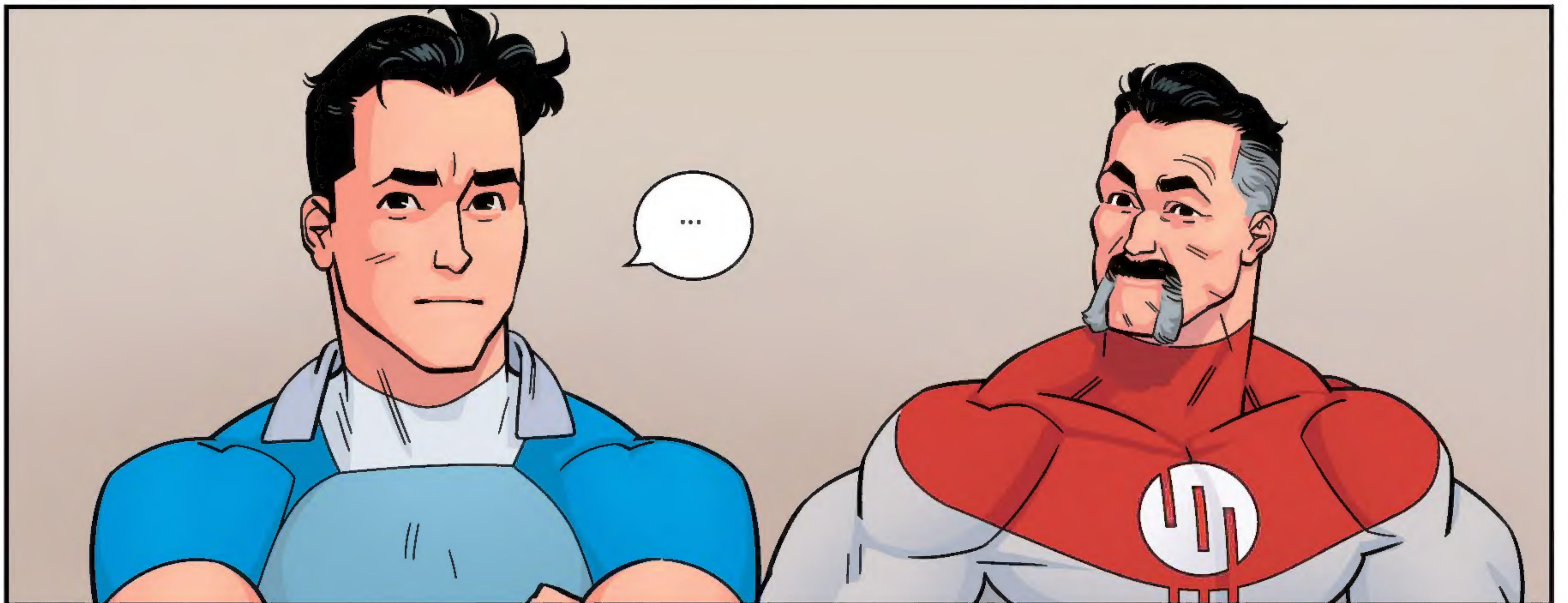
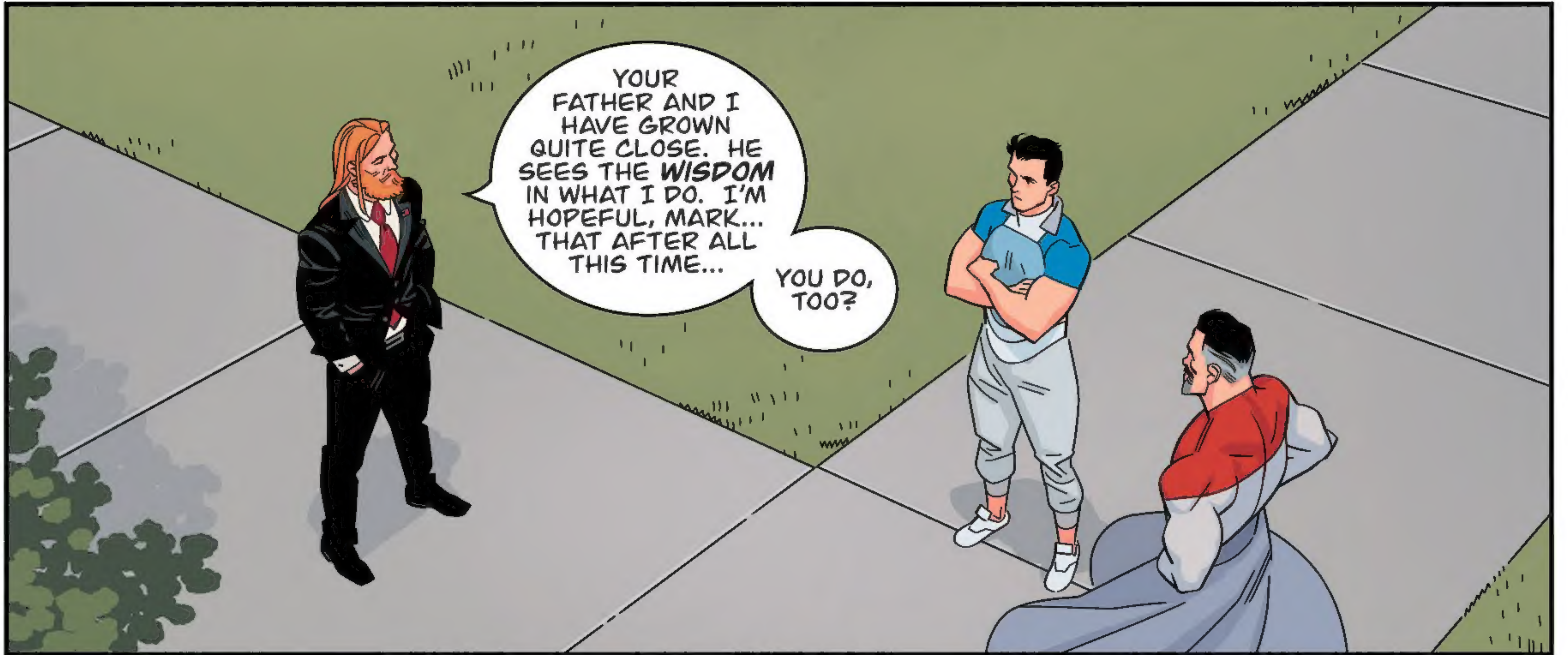
I'VE LEARNED THAT IF YOU FIND OUT WHAT A VILLAIN WANTS... AND GIVE IT TO THEM... WELL, THEN YOU HAVE AN ALLY.

POWER, RESPECT, MONEY? HELP THEM MEET THAT GOAL... ON YOUR TERMS... THEN THE OTHER STUFF... THE "BAD" STUFF BECOMES LESS IMPORTANT... AND THEY BECOME PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY.

I'M GLAD TO SAY AS TIME GOES ON, MORE AND MORE OF OUR FRIENDS ARE STARTING TO SEE THINGS MY WAY. AFTER ALL, YOU CAN'T ARGUE WITH RESULTS.

THERE ARE STILL A FEW HOLDOUTS. BUT THEY DON'T INTERFERE, THEY KEEP THEIR DISTANCE. AND IN THE CASE OF MONSTER GIRL AND MONAX... THEY EVEN PITCH IN AND HELP WHEN NEEDED.

DON'T LET THE CURRENT STATE OF THINGS FOOL YOU. PEOPLE ARE HAPPY. LIFE IS GOOD.





I TRUST YOU STILL HAVE YOUR EARPIECE?

I CAN HEAR YOU, YES.



YOU CAN'T REALLY BE TAKING THAT AT FACE VALUE. HE'S IN CHARGE OF AN ENTIRE PLANET. HE **KILLED** SO MANY PEOPLE.



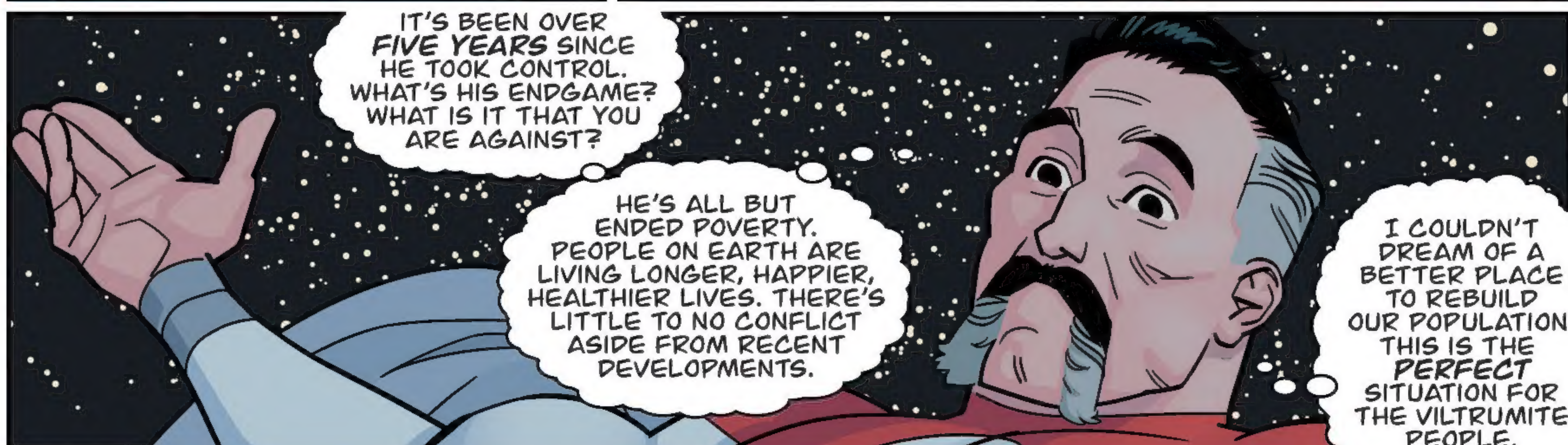
I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT HIM. BELIEVE ME.

EVE IS THE SAME WAY. IT WAS HARD TO GET HER TO COME VISIT WHEN YOU WERE... AWAY.



MARK, PLEASE. LISTEN TO THE MAN. LOOK AT WHAT HE'S DONE.

THINK ABOUT THIS RATIONALLY AND WITHOUT EMOTION.



IT'S BEEN OVER **FIVE YEARS** SINCE HE TOOK CONTROL. WHAT'S HIS **ENDGAME**? WHAT IS IT THAT YOU ARE AGAINST?

HE'S ALL BUT ENDED POVERTY. PEOPLE ON EARTH ARE LIVING LONGER, HAPPIER, HEALTHIER LIVES. THERE'S LITTLE TO NO CONFLICT ASIDE FROM RECENT DEVELOPMENTS.

I COULDN'T DREAM OF A BETTER PLACE TO REBUILD OUR POPULATION. THIS IS THE **PERFECT** SITUATION FOR THE VILTRUMITE PEOPLE.





I AM NOT.

WHY WOULD I BE?



HOW CAN YOU NOT BE? YOU SAY THESE PEOPLE ATTACKED FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION... HOW DID THEY FIND THEIR WAY HERE?

COULD REX HAVE BROUGHT THEM HERE?



SON, YOU SOUND INSANE.

DO I? HE JUST TOLD ME THAT THE OUTCOME OF THEM INVADING WAS TO GET MORE HEROES ON HIS SIDE, AND HE'S GONE PUBLIC NOW AND EVERYONE LOVES HIM!

WHY? BECAUSE OF HOW THIS INVASION PROVED HIM RIGHT AND SHOWED HOW CAPABLE HE IS?

YOU DON'T THINK THAT'S SUSPICIOUS?!



NOT IN THE LEAST.

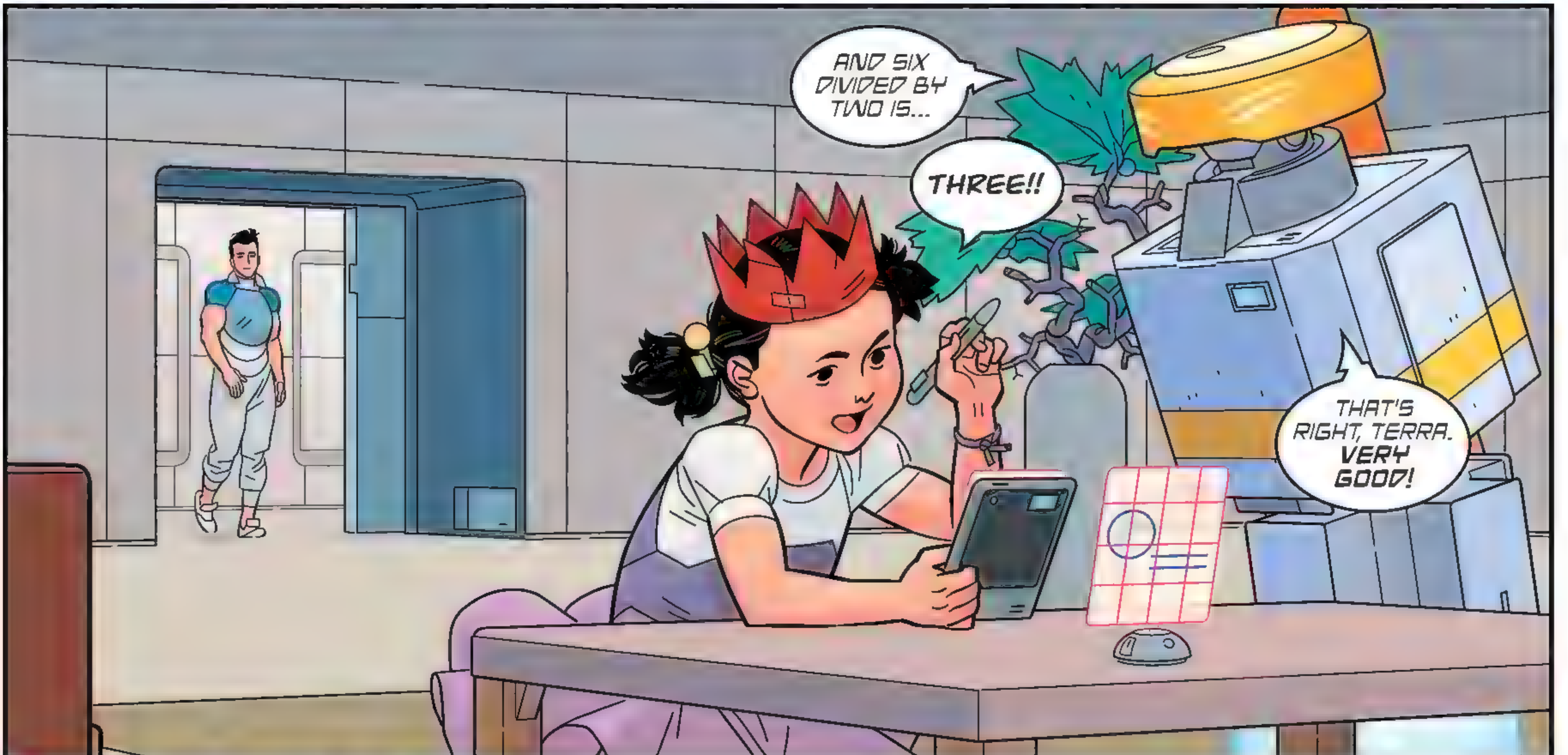
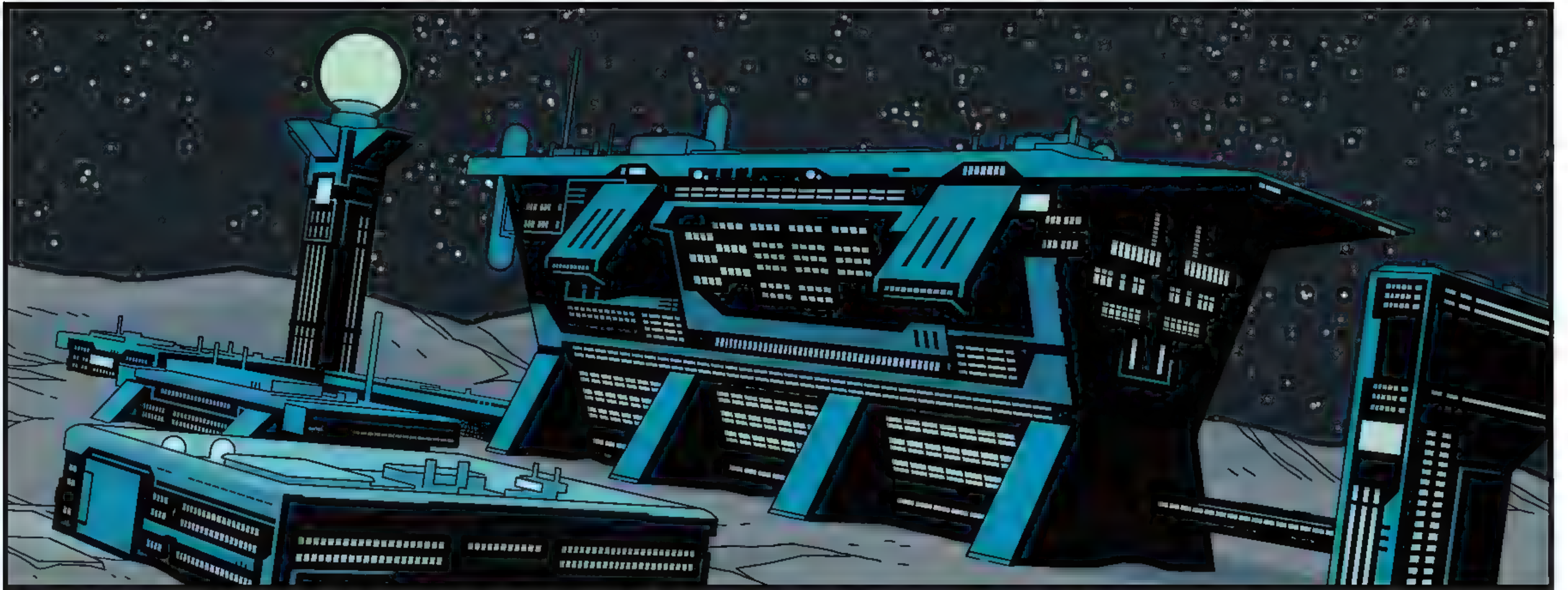
HE WAS YOUR FRIEND FOR MANY YEARS. NOW HE IS MINE. I KNOW REX IS NOT PERFECT, BUT HE IS ALWAYS WORKING FOR THE GREATER GOOD.



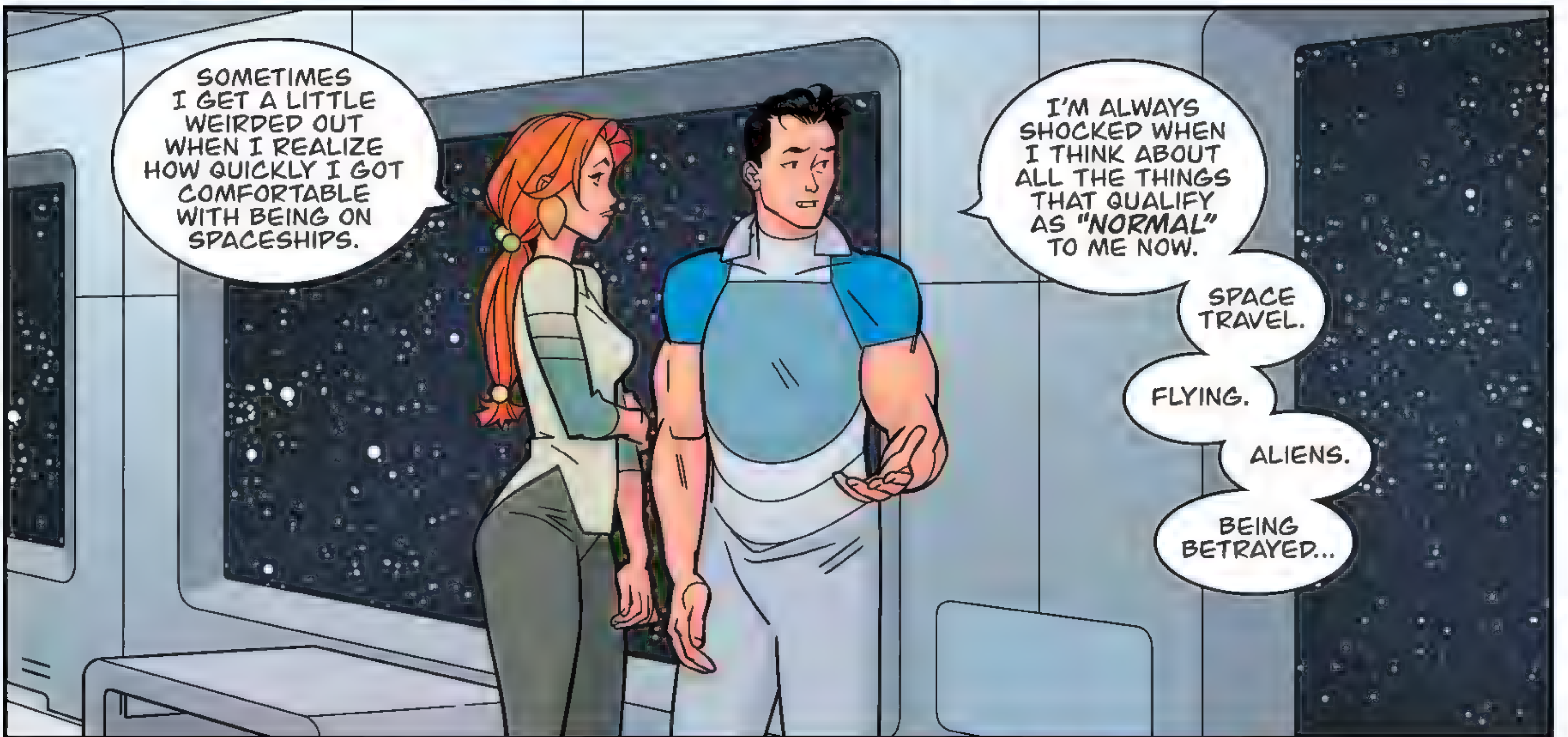
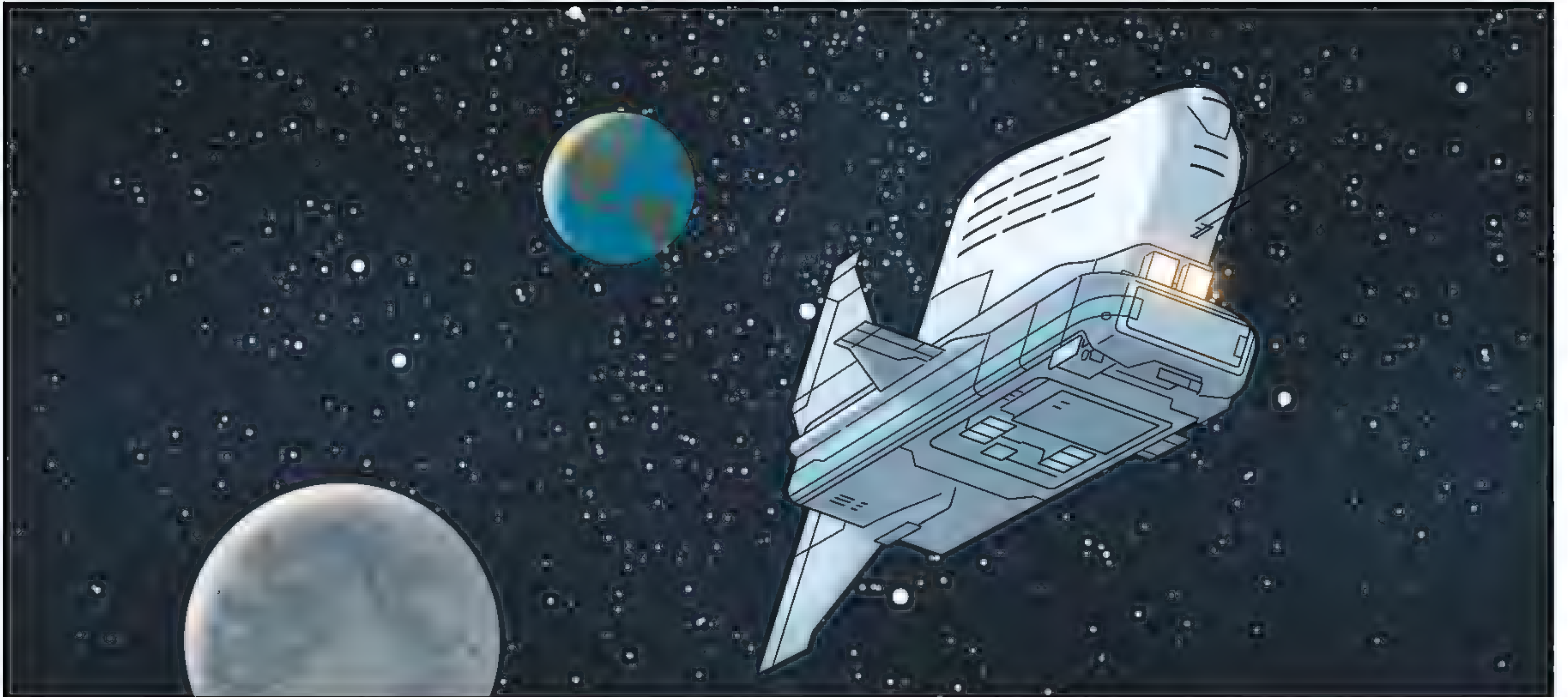
I DON'T TRUST HIM. I WILL NEVER TRUST HIM.

THAT'S WHY WE LEFT BEFORE...

...THAT'S WHY WE HAVE TO LEAVE AGAIN.







SOMETIMES I GET A LITTLE WEIRDED OUT WHEN I REALIZE HOW QUICKLY I GOT COMFORTABLE WITH BEING ON SPACESHIPS.

I'M ALWAYS SHOCKED WHEN I THINK ABOUT ALL THE THINGS THAT QUALIFY AS "NORMAL" TO ME NOW.

SPACE TRAVEL.

FLYING.

ALIENS.

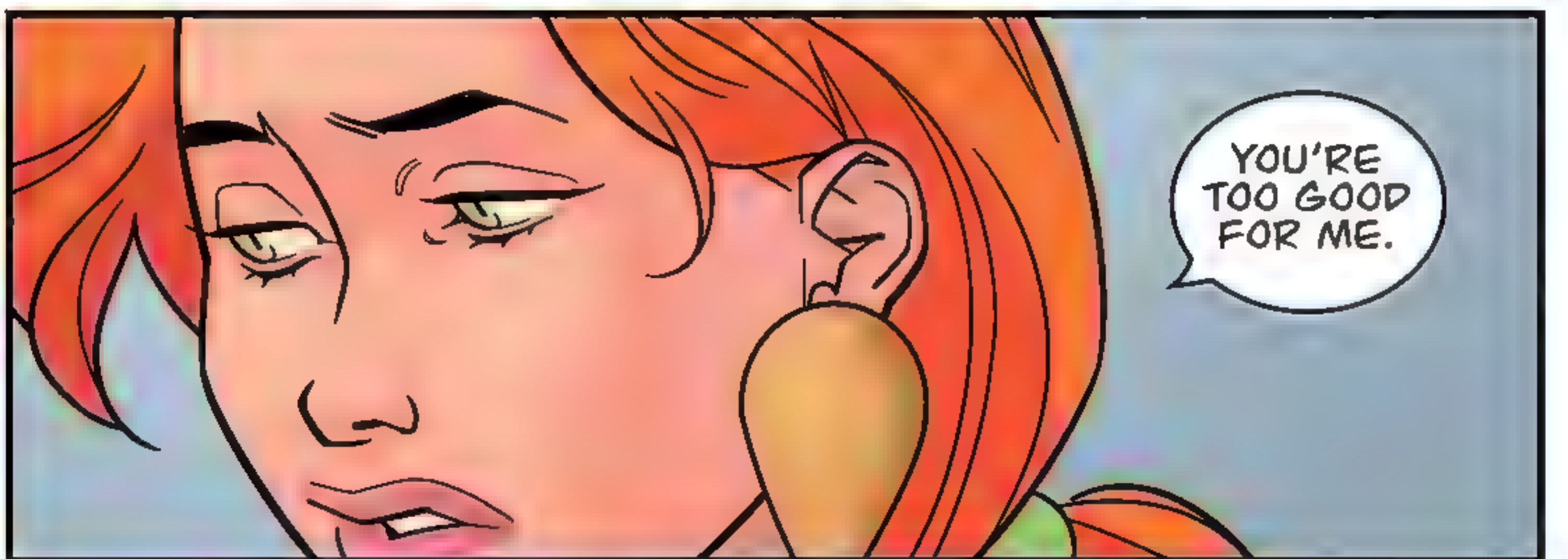
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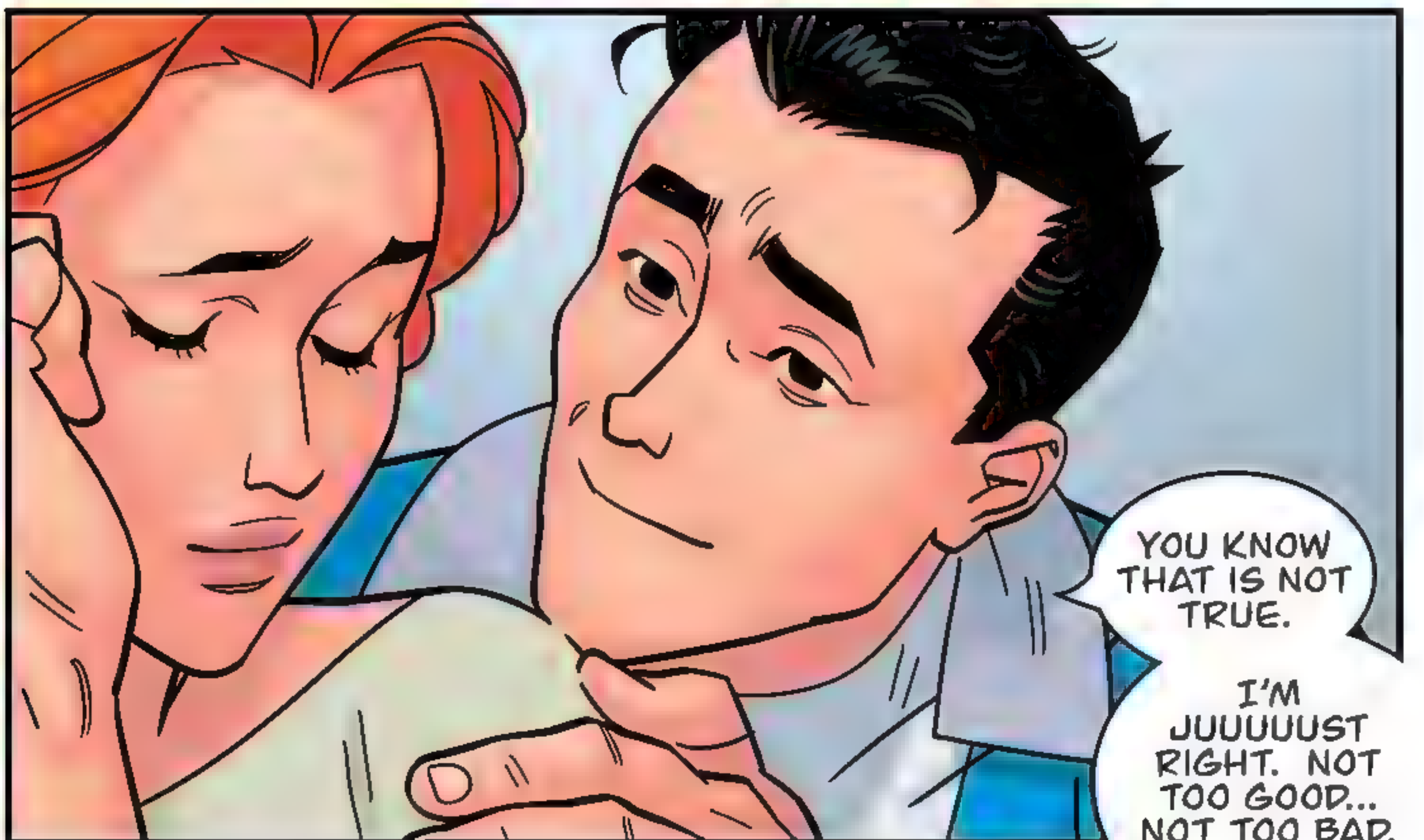
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I MEAN REX... AND MY DAD... AND OTHERS.

NOT YOU.

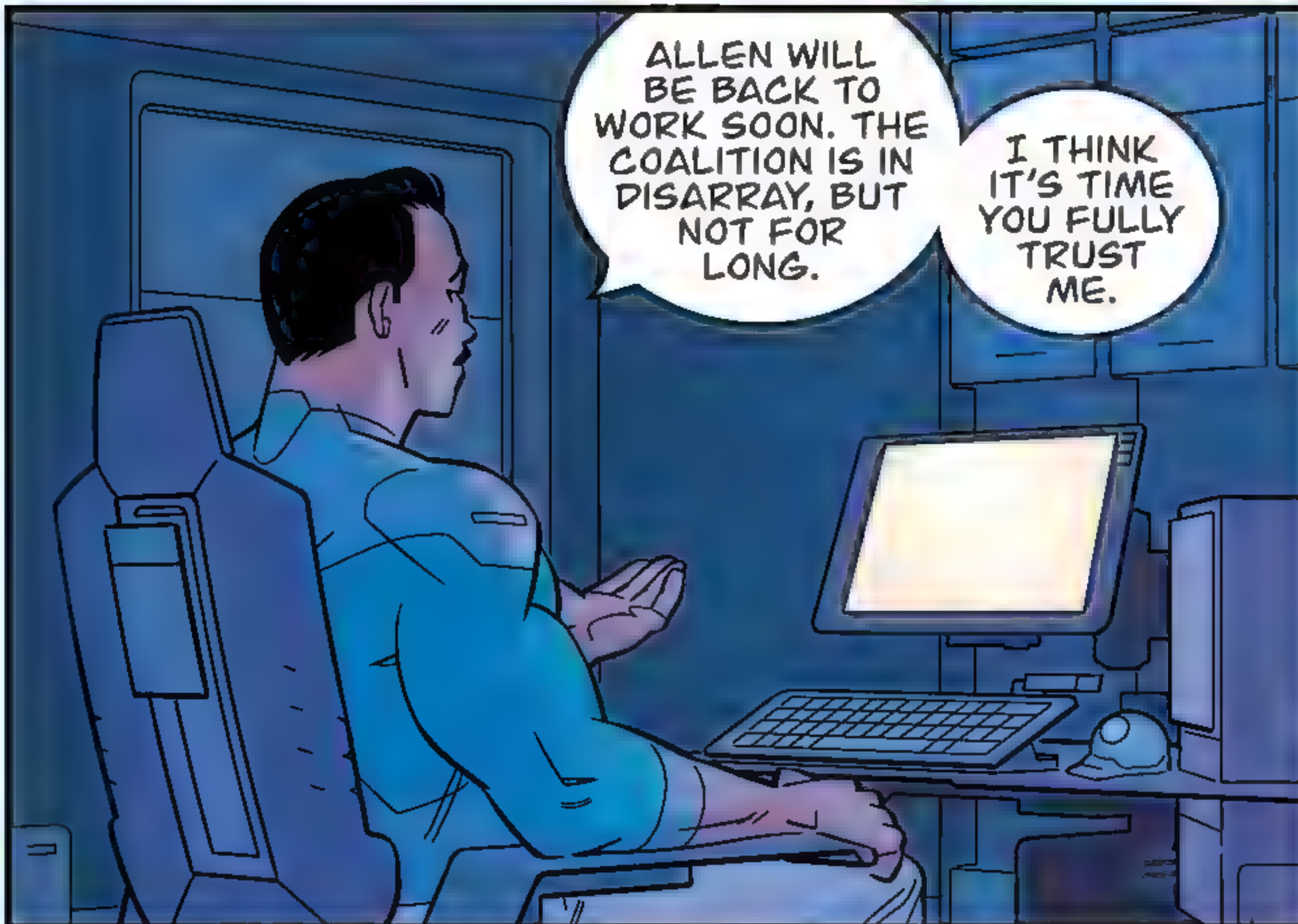
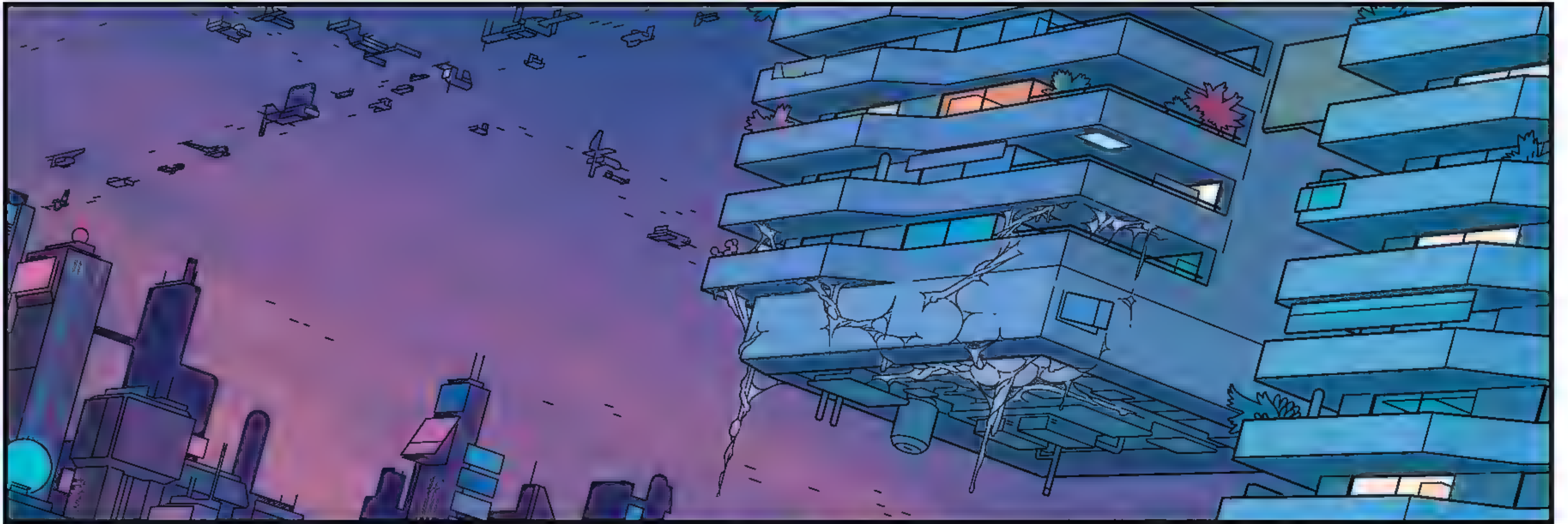


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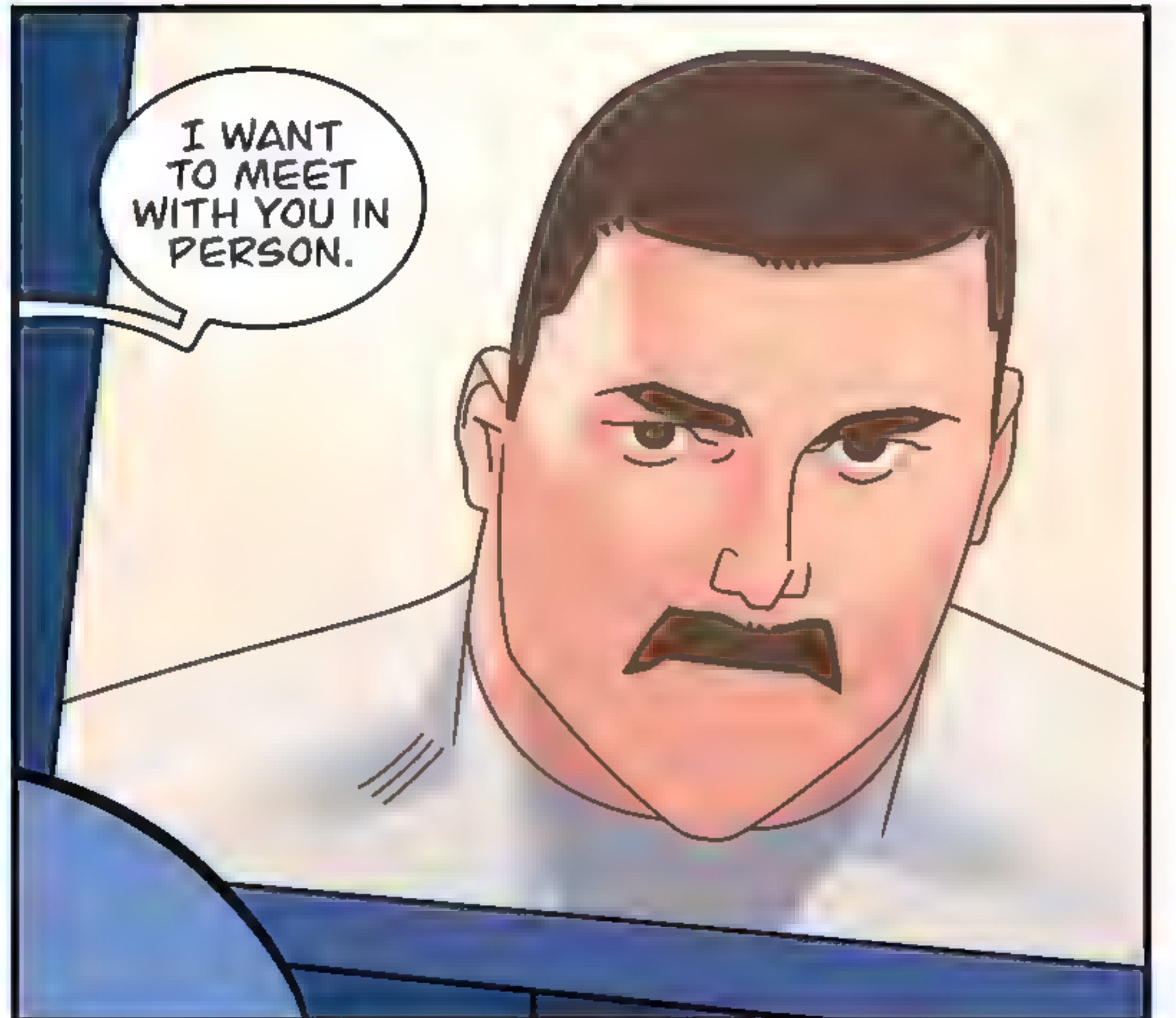
YOU KNOW THAT IS NOT TRUE.

I'M JUUUUUUST RIGHT. NOT TOO GOOD... NOT TOO BAD.



ALLEN WILL BE BACK TO WORK SOON. THE COALITION IS IN DISARRAY, BUT NOT FOR LONG.

I THINK IT'S TIME YOU FULLY TRUST ME.



I WANT TO MEET WITH YOU IN PERSON.



DO YOU NOW?

YOU HAVE PROVIDED ME WITH A GREAT DEAL OF INFORMATION, AND I APPRECIATE THAT YOU'VE COME TO SEE MY SIDE OF THINGS.

I CONSIDER YOU A VALUED MEMBER OF THE NEW VILTRUM EMPIRE...

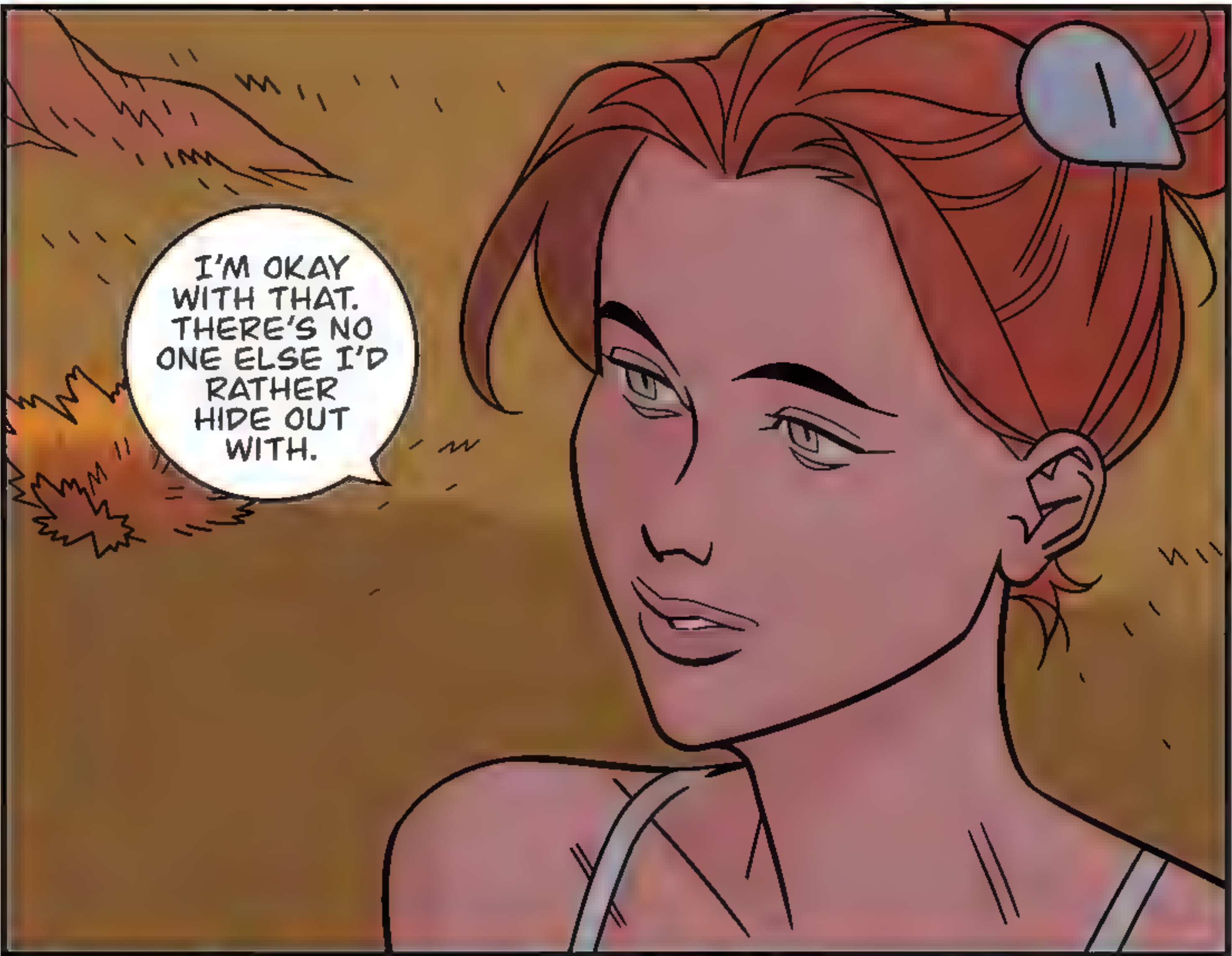
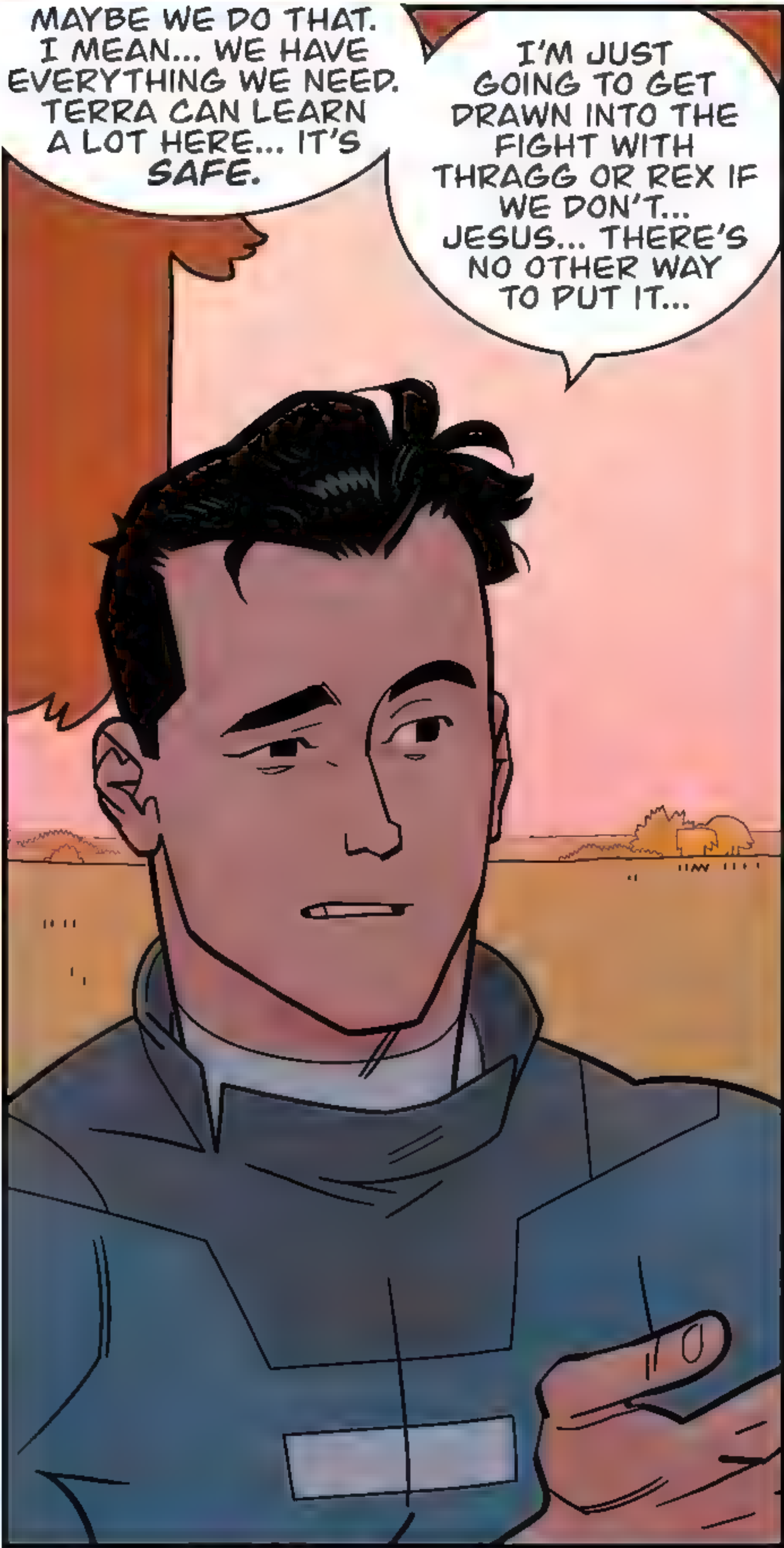
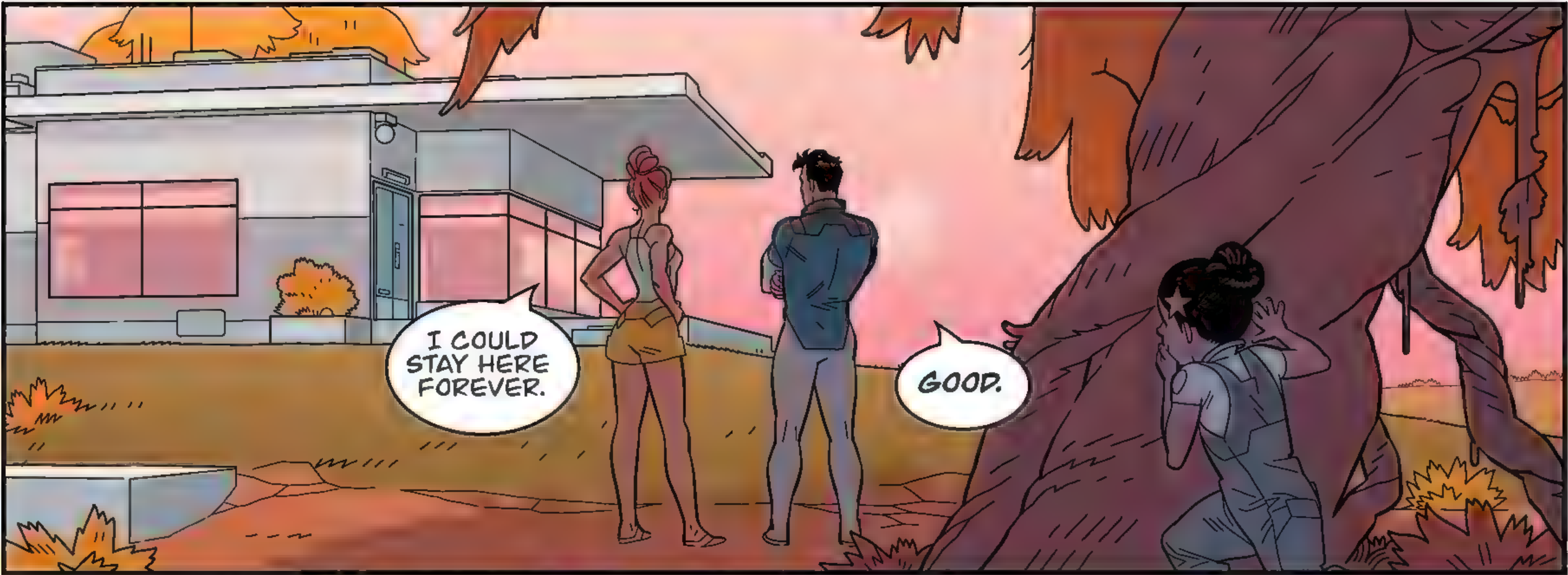


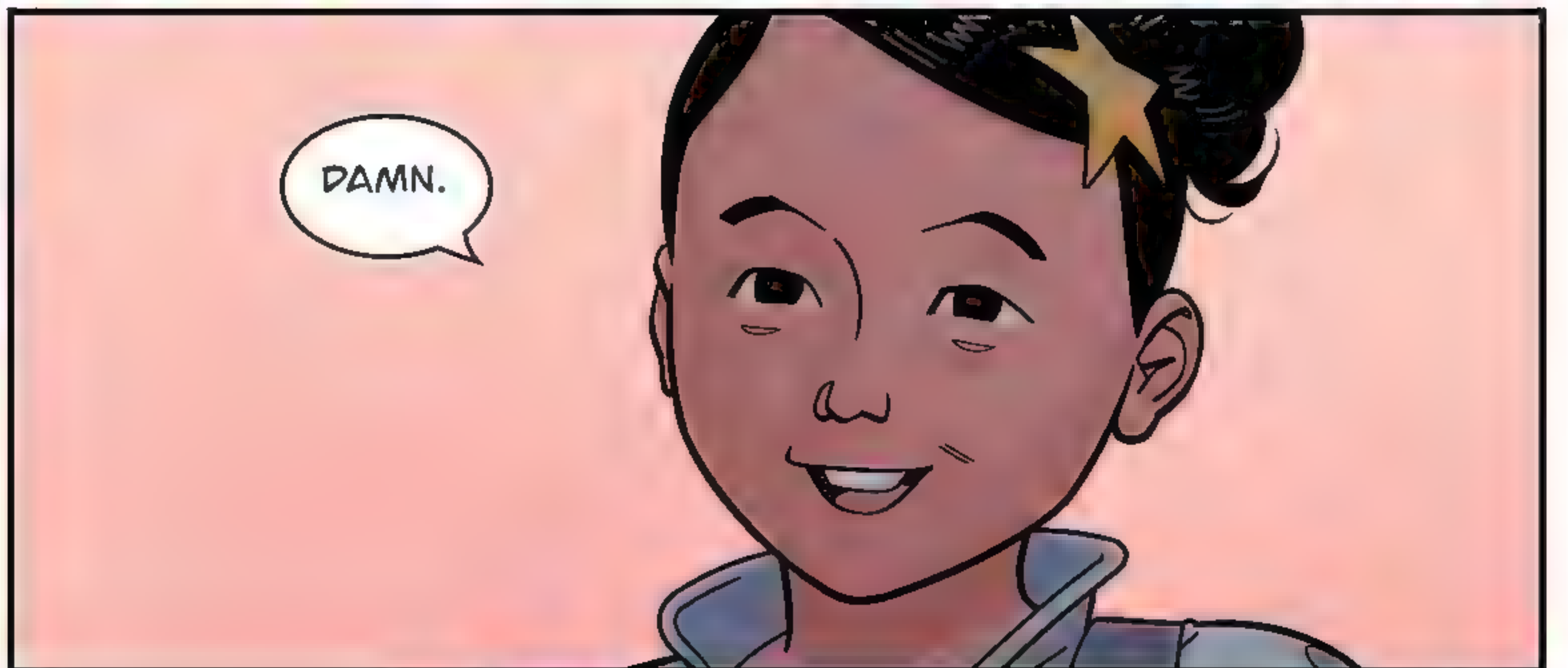
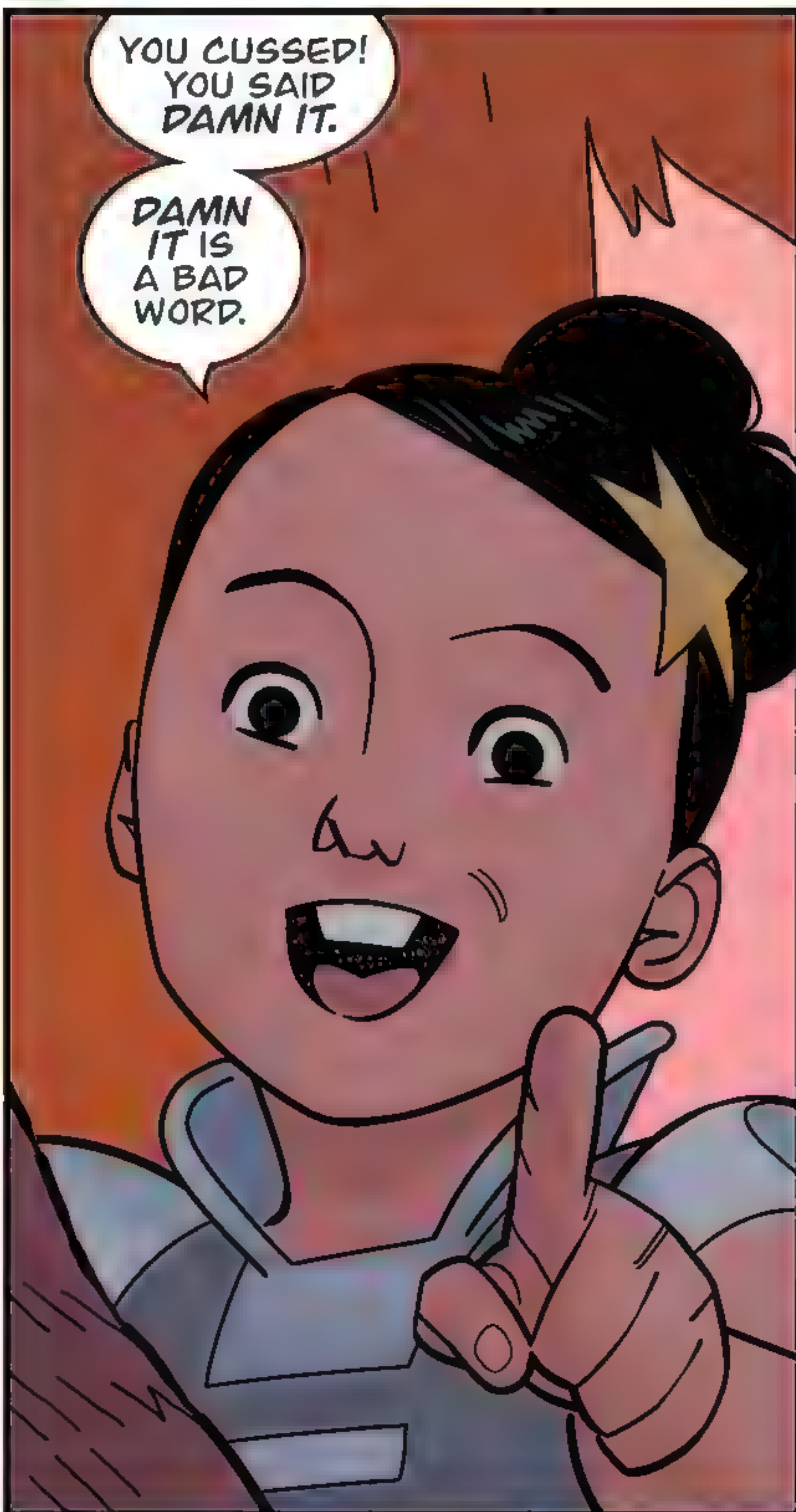
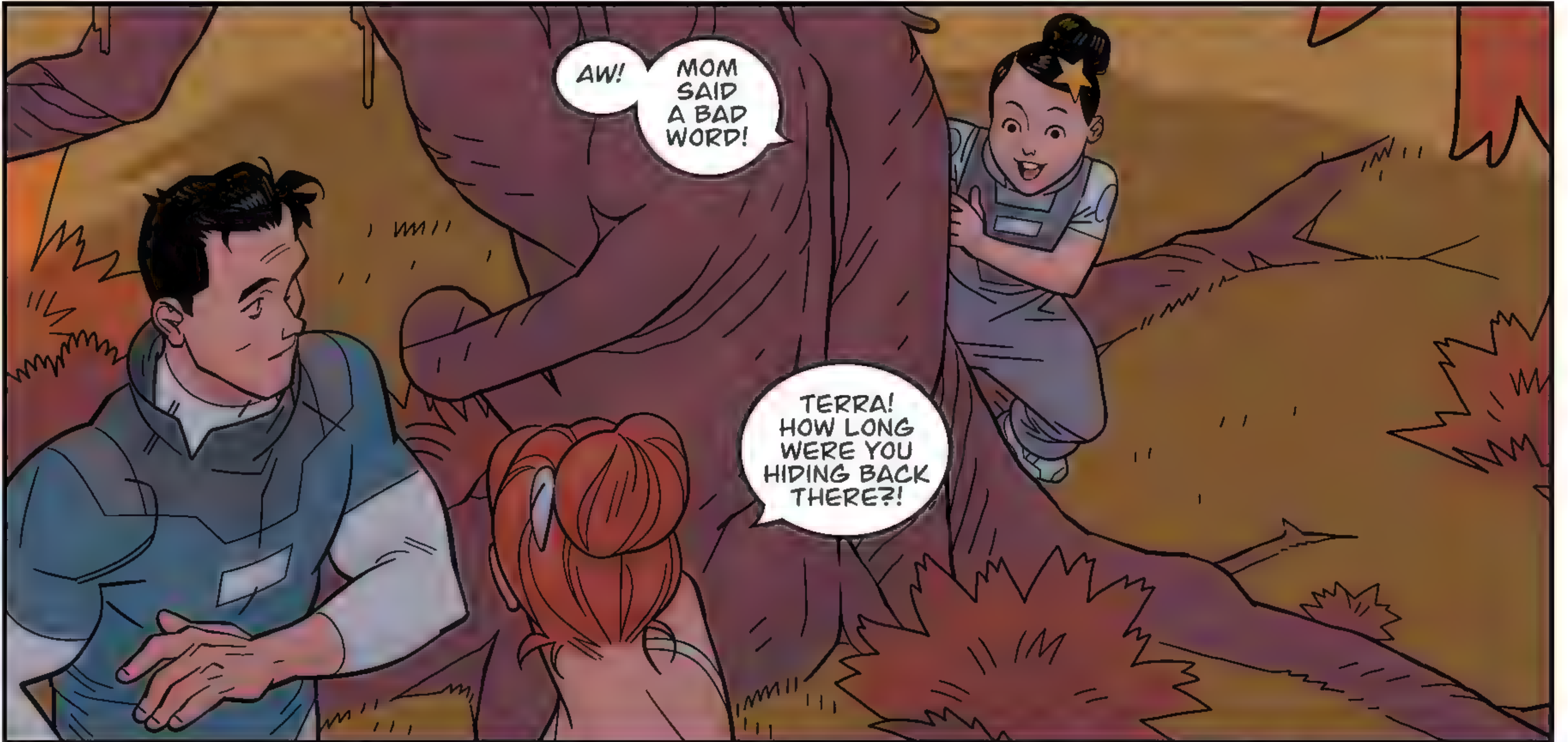
...BUT I DON'T SEE WHY YOU WOULD EVER NEED TO KNOW MY LOCATION.

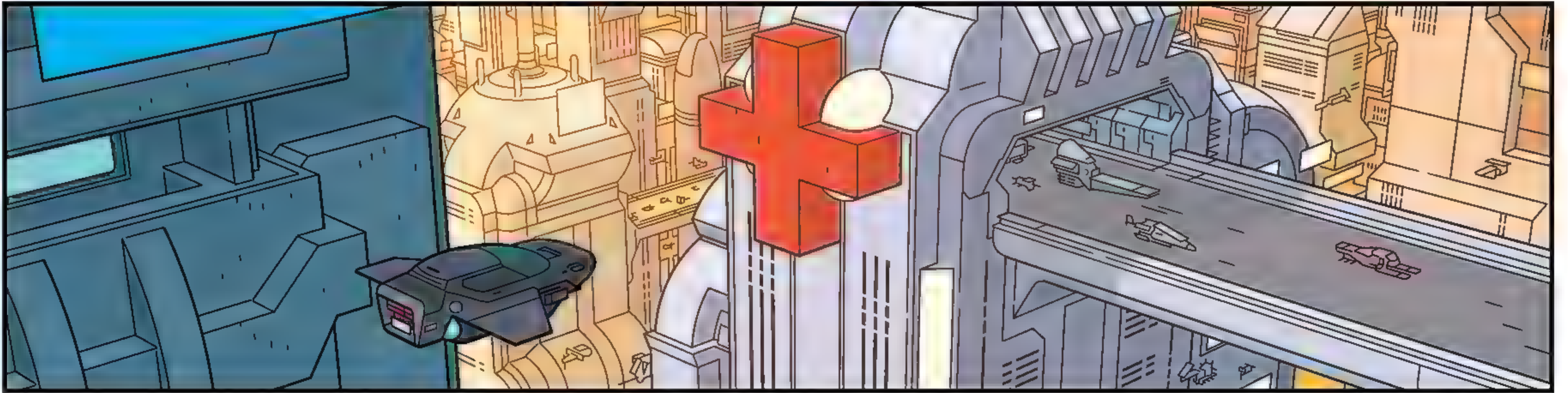
I'VE PUT A LOT ON THE LINE HERE, THRAGG. I'M THE ONE TAKING THE RISKS.



IF WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE... I NEED TO KNOW YOU'RE WILLING TO TAKE RISKS ON MY BEHALF AS WELL.







THE GELDARIAN REFUGEES HAVE BEEN GIVEN HOUSING. THE ECONOMY REPORTS HAVE BEEN LOADED INTO YOUR TABLET FOR YOUR REVIEW. I'VE PUSHED BACK YOUR MEETING WITH THE ULGAN CHANCELLOR... OH, AND...

LASTLY... THAT OTHER THING... IT'S DONE.

THANK YOU--

UUGH!!

--FOR THE UPDATE.

WHO WAS THAT?

AN AGENT OF MINE. IT WAS AN OFFICIAL MATTER. NOTHING IMPORTANT.

JUST LOOK AT YOU. YOU'LL BE WALKING LIKE NORMAL IN A MATTER OF DAYS.

I'M SO PROUD OF YOU.

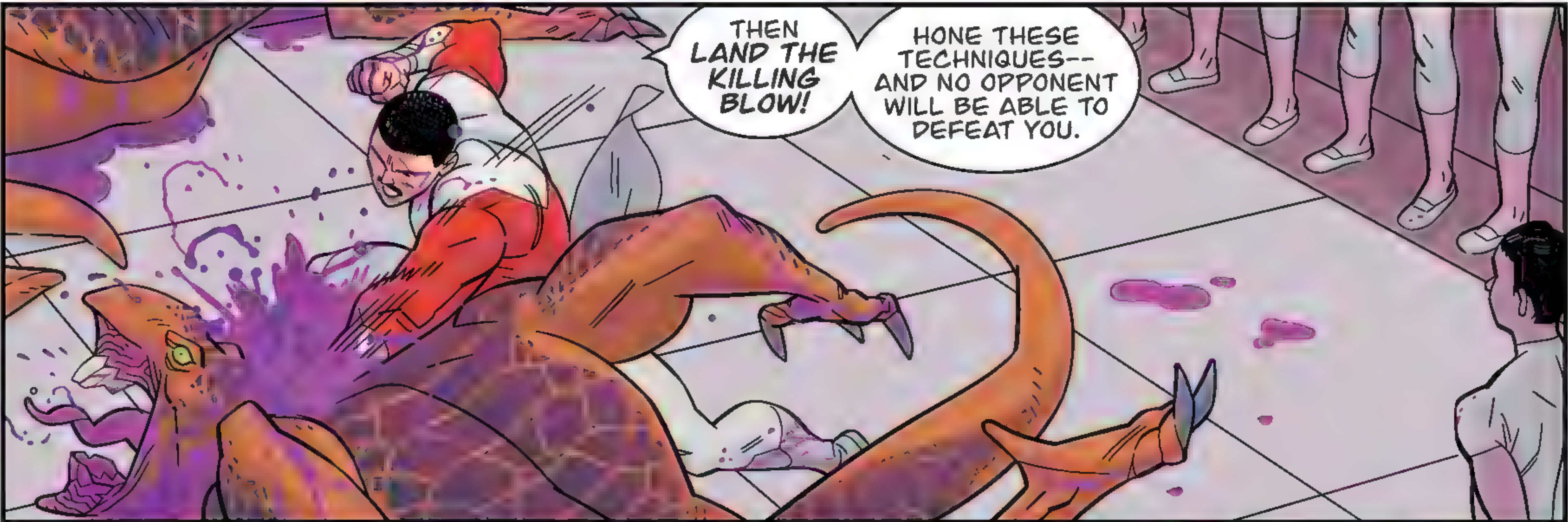




USE YOUR OPPONENT'S STRENGTH AGAINST THEM!



ALLOW THEM TO THINK THEY HAVE THE UPPER HAND--WAIT FOR THEM TO BE OFF-BALANCE!



THEN LAND THE KILLING BLOW!

HONE THESE TECHNIQUES--AND NO OPPONENT WILL BE ABLE TO DEFEAT YOU.



ONAAN AND URSAL HAVE ARRIVED.

GOOD. SEND THEM IN.





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Hey, we knew the Grayson and Thragg (no last name?) families were going to square off... but so SOON? When people fight in this book, bad stuff happens. Can't we just get more Terra instead?

Terra will be involved... sadly.

ONTO THE LETTERS!!

What's up fellas!
I had to write you guys about a letter in Issue 128 from Tim, in which he said the Reboot? Storyline smelled of corporate greed?

Really dude?

Did Kirkman and crew put out an 8 issue Extravaganza with a #0 prequel that also required you to pick up Robot vol. 3 #8, Adventures of Omni-Man #95, Spectacular Omni-Kid #25, All New All Different Vultrimites #50, and Allen The Great #4, which all builds up to the relaunch of Invincible Vol. 2 #1 with 10 variant covers including the ultra-rare chromium vibranium cover? (Even tho we have seen Kirkman pull that stunt before, so maybe you're kinda right...)

If we publish those titles, will you buy them? Sounds pretty damn cool to me.

But anyways, my point is, you couldn't have been more off base with your letter.

Leaving that point of the story where it was at made perfect sense. Mark leaving the planet to protect his family was the exact type of twist Kirkman is famous for. Coming back from the Reboot? to find 5 years have passed is too. I know you've been around since issue 98 and have invested a whole 3 years into the book, where you REALLY missed out on Kirkman's prime in his Greed Phase.

Robert's prime is STILL going on. He's like the Big Papi of comics.

This level of corporate greed is tame in comparison. Also. Your examples of Strike 1 and Strike 2 were basically the same points. I think you got a little greedy with those strikes, bro.

-Frank Carrera
Houston, TX

Wait... I had a "greed phase?" I want to hear more about THAT! I like to think I've been pretty firmly out of the greed category. We do variants from time to time, but never in a way simply to goose sales, and always to draw attention to some kind of new phase in the book. Also... this is issue 130! Is it still \$2.99 like the first issue of the series? THIRTEEN YEARS AGO?! What other product hasn't had a price hike in THIRTEEN YEARS!?

Greed phase? PHOOEY!!

I just finished reading issue #128 and as I skimmed the letter column, I kept seeing the word "Reboot". I even remember reading that the comic was getting a reboot, so what happened? It's true that mark went back in time and now he's returned after fiver year, But I wouldn't call that a reboot. It seemed like a reboot was going to happen, but then mark came back to the present day. If he would of stayed back in time and not repeated his mistakes, then I would of considered that a reboot, but the way it turned out, I just wouldn't consider that a reboot at all. I've been reading this book since the beginning, but for the last 2 years it really hasn't been that good but I've stuck it out hoping it would get better again, but I'm coming to terms with the harsh reality that this book stinks now. Maybe Robert just doesn't have any fresh ideas anymore, or he's stretched too thin. We will see.

Jeffrey

Was there a pitchfork sale we weren't informed about? Or is this Shaw-level trolling? I have no sense of humor anymore. I CAN'T TELL.

There was a question mark at the end of the title. The story was called "REBOOT?". I stand by it. Sorry you're not digging the book recently, Jeffrey. We all change our tastes over time and this book, by and large,

reflects my tastes. It's totally possible we're just shifting in opposite directions as the years go on. I'm hoping you're liking the recent issues more than "Reboot?". Do write in and let us know if you're still reading by this point!

Okay Robert,

Your fantastic take on the super hero genre has blown my mind. Nothing has had as many humongous, earth shattering, expectation toppling plot twists as this series (and the freakin' amazing art is equally as brain liquefying). But, I've got some problems, and more than 99.9 percent of them have to do with mustaches.

First off, if the main physical attribute setting Viltrumites apart from Humans is their prominent, lush mustaches, why the hell don't the women of their race grow them? I mean, these women are monstrosly buff and not generally "lady like," meaning that the Viltrumites don't frown upon their women being a little masculine. So, what gives? Do they shave their 'stache for combat purposes? Or are they actually incapable of growing them?

I guess... like humans... they're incapable of growing them.

Second, are the Viltrumites' beautiful mustaches a cultural thing? Like, do they grow them as a fad? Or is there actual societal pressure -- like some sort of law -- forcing them to foster their lip hair? It's surprising that this question has not been addressed in any way, not even as a joke, which leads me to believe that the Viltrumites' facial fuzz will be a crucial and serious plot point. Like, maybe a Viltrumite without his 'stache is like a Saiyan without his tail. Really just spit ballin'.

It's simply a status/style thing. I think to dwell on it any more than we have already in the book would draw too much attention to how silly it really is.

Lastly, and most importantly, Oliver has finally grown a big, bright, beautiful mustache. Nothing makes me happier than seeing that little, underdeveloped piece of fur sprouting on his upper lip. That is, until I realize that a certain main character is missing his duly deserved lip warmer. I know that it's only a matter of time, but seeing Oliver grow his 'stache before his elder brother pushes me over the edge. Mark has earned his mustache, and you have robbed him of his rights. I hope to see Mark next issue sporting an especially elegant mustache, preferably handle bar.

Thanks for the amazing series and the unanswered 'stache questions!
- Ricardo Rodriguez

To me, Mark is more human than Viltrumite... or for now at least, sees himself that way. If the day comes that he ever wears a mustache... it would have to... accompany... a significant change... in his... perspective on life... ahem. I've said too much.

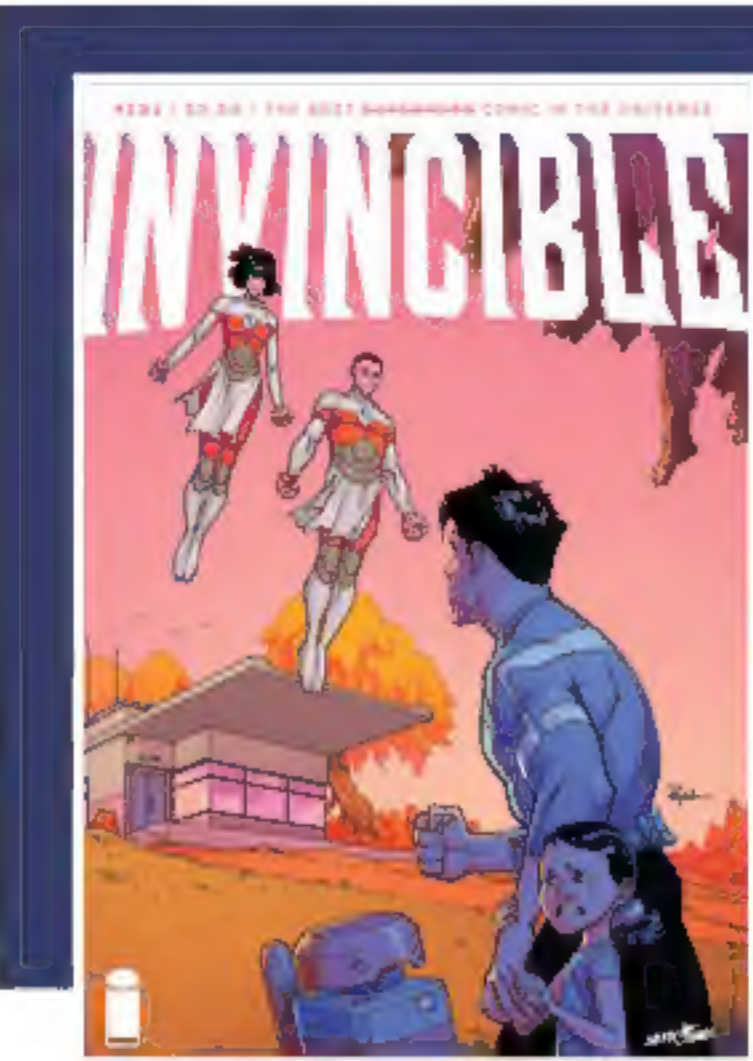
See you next issue, where it's all Terra, all the time. And nothing bad happens. Nope!

-Sean Mackiewicz

Nothing at all. Nothing bad at all happens. See you soon!!

-Robert Kirkman

NEXT ISSUE



Mark just wants to live a quiet life with his family and be happy... but that would be a boring comic book series.

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